

REMARKS

Claims 21-27 and 29-31 have been rejected. Claims 17-20, 20, 28, and 32 have been found allowable. Claims 17, 21-27, and 29-31 are herein amended. No new matter is presented. Claims 17-32 are now pending. The above amendments and the following remarks are considered by Applicants to overcome each rejection raised by the Examiner and to place the application in condition for allowance.

Claim objections

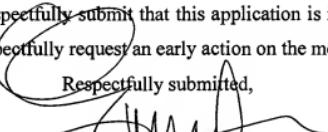
The Examiner objected to claims 17 and 29 for certain informalities. Applicants have amended the claims as suggested by the Examiner, and therefore respectfully request removal of the objections.

Rejection of claims 21-27 and 29-31 pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

The Examiner rejected claims 21-27 and 29-31 pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for being indefinite. Applicants have amended the claims to address the claim language cited by the Examiner, and therefore respectfully request removal of the rejection.

For these reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request an early action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,


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